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APPLICANT: Runge et al § ART UNIT: §

FOR: Mitochondrial DNA Damage as a predictor of Coronary Atherosclerotic \$ DOCKET:

Heart Disease § D6179CIP

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS AND CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8

Dear Sir:

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In response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed June 6, 2001 for the above-referenced patent application, Applicants submit herewith the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by the inventors. Applicants further submit herewith Figures 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, and 14 wherein the figures meet the margin requirements under 37 C.F.R. 1.84. Applicants also enclose a copy of the Formalities Letter. Please debit the \$65 fee and any other fees that are due from Deposit Account No. 07-1185.

I hereby certify under 37 CFR 1.8 that the following correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box Missing Parts, Washington DC 20231. Please return the enclosed postcard acknowledging receipt of this correspondence.

Respectfully submitted,

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The signature of the following inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration: Marschall S. Runge
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.